

**W**Wheatland

# April 7, 2024 | Second Sunday of Easter

▲ CONGREGATION STANDS

▼ CONGREGATION SITS

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Almighty and everlasting God, who in the Paschal mystery established the new covenant of reconciliation: Grant that all who have been reborn into the fellowship of Christ's Body may show forth in their lives what they profess by their faith; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### **▼** P R E L U D E



# ▲ CALLTO WORSHIP PSALM 47:1-8

LEADER: Clap your hands, all you nations;

**PEOPLE:** shout to God with cries of joy.

LEADER: How awesome is the LORD Most High,

**PEOPLE:** the great King over all the earth!

LEADER: He subdued nations under us, peoples under our

feet. He chose our inheritance for us,

**PEOPLE:** the pride of Jacob, whom he loved.

LEADER: God has ascended amid shouts of joy,

**PEOPLE:** the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

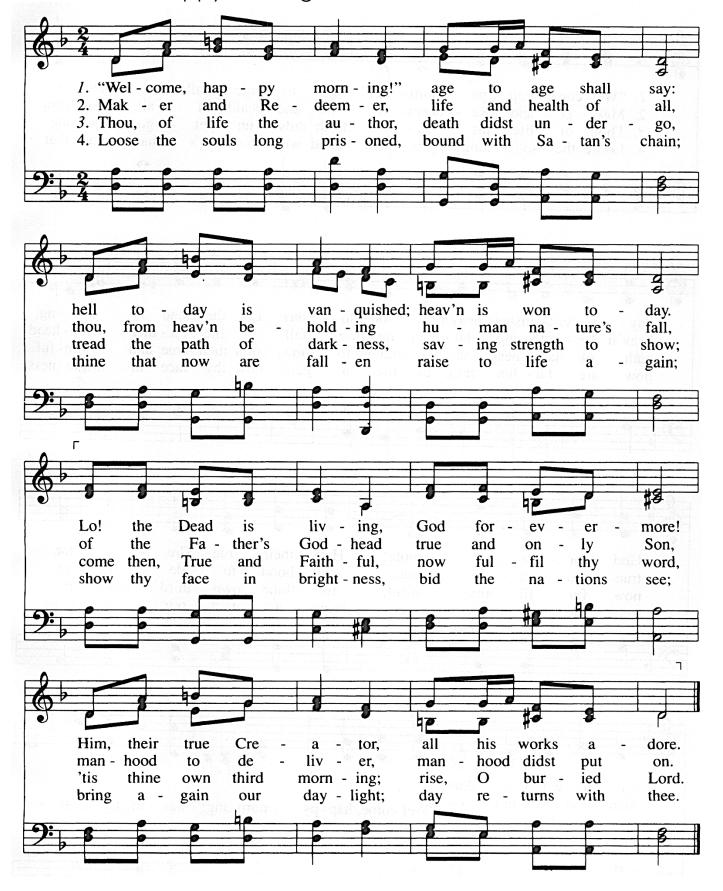
LEADER: Sing praises to God, sing praises;

**PEOPLE:** sing praises to our King, sing praises. LEADER: For God is the King of all the earth;

**PEOPLE:** sing to him a psalm of praise. LEADER: God reigns over the nations;

**PEOPLE:** God is seated on his holy throne.





# ▲ Scripture

#### ACTS 2:25-32



LEADER: Listen to what David said about Jesus of Nazareth:

LEFT: "I saw the Lord always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will

not be shaken.

**RIGHT**: Therefore, my heart is glad and my tongue rejoices; my body also will

live in hope,

**LEFT:** because you will not abandon me to the grave, nor will you let your

Holy One see decay.

**RIGHT:** You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in

your presence."

LEADER: Brothers, I can tell you confidently that the patriarch David died and was

buried, and his tomb is here to this day. But he was a prophet and knew that God had promised him on oath that he would place one of his descendants on his throne. Seeing what was ahead, he spoke of the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to the grave, nor did his body see decay.

**PEOPLE:** God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of the fact.

# ▼ CONFESSION OF SIN



LEADER: "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with

all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbor as yourself.' All the Law and the Prophets hang

on these two commandments."

**PEOPLE:** Lord, have mercy upon us for we have broken your two greatest

commandments by thought, word and deed. Have mercy on us and incline

our hearts to keep your law. Amen.

Please take a moment to silently confess your individual sins.

# ▼ Assurance of Pardon

PSALM 130:7



Put your hope in the LORD, for with the LORD is unfailing love and with him is full redemption.

# **A THANKSGIVING**



LEADER: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

**PEOPLE**: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen.

# ▲ Up from the Grave He Arose







Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in his hands the mark of the nails, and place my finger into the mark of the nails, and place my hand into his side, I will never believe." Eight days later, his disciples were inside again, and Thomas was with them. Although the doors were locked, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side. Do not disbelieve, but believe." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

LEADER: The Gospel of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

# ▲ CONFESSION OF FAITH

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**UNISON:** 

We believe in one God, the Father Almighty, who made the heaven and the earth and the seas and all the things that are in them; and in one Christ Jesus, the Son of God, who was made flesh for our salvation; and in the Holy Spirit, who made known through the prophets the plan of salvation, and the coming, and the birth from a virgin, and the passion, and the resurrection from the dead, and the bodily ascension into heaven of the beloved Christ Jesus, our Lord, and his future appearing from heaven in the glory of the Father to sum up all things and to raise anew all flesh of the whole human race. Amen.

#### 2 CORINTHIANS 9:7



Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

Children, ages 3-5 years, are dismissed to the Fellowship Hallway for Children's Worship Training. Children will be served a small snack and a mini-cup of juice: please alert volunteers to any allergies.

Please fill in the attendance pad, pass it down the pew and then back.

If you are able to continue to give, you may do so online at <a href="www.wheatlandpca.org/give">www.wheatlandpca.org/give</a> or by mail. If you are struggling financially, please contact our diaconate at <a href="Diaconate@Wheatlandpca.org">Diaconate@Wheatlandpca.org</a>.



# **▼ PROCLAMATION**

JOHN 20:19-23



<sup>19</sup> On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being locked where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." <sup>20</sup> When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. <sup>21</sup> Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I am sending you." <sup>22</sup> And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. <sup>23</sup> If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you withhold forgiveness from any, it is withheld."

LEADER: This is the Word of the Lord.

**PEOPLE:** Thanks be to God.

Rev. Keith A. Winder



## ▲ THE LORD'S SUPPER



PASTOR: The Lord be with you!

PEOPLE: And also with you.

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts!

**PEOPLE:** We lift them up to the Lord.

PASTOR: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God!

**PEOPLE:** It is right to give him our thanks and praise.

PASTOR: It is a right, good, proper, and joyful thing, at all times, and in all places to

give you thanks, Lord God. We join our voices with the angels and

archangels and all the company of heaven who forever sing:

## ▲ Sanctus



PASTOR: Let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

**PEOPLE**: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Hallelujah!

PASTOR: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us. Hallelujah!

**PEOPLE**: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

PASTOR: The gifts of God for the people of God.

# ▼ Invitation and Prayer

PASTOR:

This Table is a place of nourishment for followers of Jesus Christ. All baptized Christians who trust in Christ alone, are in good standing with a church that embraces the Gospel, live at peace with their neighbor, and seek strength to live more faithfully are welcome to eat this meal with us. But examine yourself, for Scripture reminds us that whoever eats the Bread or drinks the Cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty concerning the Body and Blood of the Lord. And while none of us are worthy apart from Christ, to even gather up the crumbs from this Table, we eagerly eat this meal with faith in Christ and gratitude to God for his salvation.

**UNISON:** 

We do not presume to come to your Table, merciful Lord, trusting in our own righteousness, but in your great mercies. Amen.

# ▼ Words of Institution

PASTOR:

And it was in mercy towards us that our heavenly Father gave his only Son to suffer death on the Cross for our redemption. As it is written: On the night Christ was betrayed he took Bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it, and said, "This is my body, which is for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then in the same way, after supper Jesus took the Cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me." For as often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

# ▼ Coming to the Table

You will be invited forward up the center aisle and you will return down the outside aisle. If you are unable to come to the front to take communion, remain in your seat and it will be brought to you. The bread is gluten free. Wine is in the clear cups. Grape juice is in the purple cups. Please hold the bread and the cup until invited to eat and drink. We welcome our children to come forward to the Table for prayer (see Children and Communion at the back of this order of worship). If you are not eating the Supper with us today, you may come forward with your hands clasped together to receive prayer, or you may spend this time in prayer at your seat using the communion prayers printed in the back of the bulletin.

#### Behold the Lamb 1.Be - hold way, the Lamb who slain for bears our sins a us\_ 2.The bo - dy of our Sav - iour Je -Christ, torn for you\_ sus 3. The blood that cleans - es ev - ery stain of sin, shed for you\_ 4.And so with thank - ful - ness and faith rise we to re spond\_ pro made that all faith find forand we re-mem-ber the mise who in come and re-mem-ber; The wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the eat drink and re-mem-ber He drained death's cup that all may en - ter in to re to re-mem-ber call fol - low in the of Christ His and our to steps as So we life, and we of give - ness at the share in this bread of drink His cross. to make one. So we share in this bread of life, and we drink His price us of ceive the life of God. So we share in this bread of life, and we drink of His in His suf - fer - ing, we pro - claim bo - dy here on earth. As we share Christ will fice sign of our bonds of peace sac as a ri fice sign bonds of love sac as a of our fice sign of bonds of grace sac ri as a our gain! And we'll come join in the feast of heaven

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# Prayer of Thanksgiving

UNISON: Everliving God, thank you for feeding us with these holy mysteries—the spiritual food of the Body and Blood of your Son.
Heavenly Father, please assist us with your grace, that we may continue in holy fellowship with you, and do all such good works that you have prepared for us to walk in; through Jesus Christ our Lord, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, world without end.
Amen.

## Psalm of Praise

PASTOR: Bless the Lord, O my soul,

**PEOPLE:** and all that is within me, bless his holy name.

PASTOR: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all his benefits who forgives all your iniquity,

**PEOPLE**: who heals all your diseases,

PASTOR: who redeems your life from the pit,

**PEOPLE:** who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy.

PASTOR: The Lord is merciful and gracious, He does not deal

with us according to our sins,

**PEOPLE:** nor repay us according to our iniquities.

PASTOR: For as high as the heavens are above the earth,

**PEOPLE:** so great is his steadfast love toward those who fear him;

PASTOR: as far as the east is from the west,

**PEOPLE:** so far does he remove our transgressions from us.

PASTOR: As a father has compassion for his children,

**PEOPLE:** so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.

PASTOR: For he knows our frame;

**PEOPLE:** he remembers that we are dust.

# ▲ Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow;

Praise Him all creatures here below;

Praise Him above ye heavenly host;

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

# ▲ BENEDICTION

1 THESSALONIANS 3:16, 18

Now may the Lord of peace himself give you peace at all times and in every way. The Lord be with all of you. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.

Confession of Faith from the Heidelberg Catechism, Q. 46 & 47.

Confession of Sin taken from Matthew 22:37-40.

Prayer of Thanksgiving adapted from Psalm 103.

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# LIFE TOGETHER

# This Week at Wheatland

# Sunday, April 7

8:30 & 11:15am Worship10:15am Sunday Classes6:30pm Roots Youth Group

#### Tuesday, April 9

7:30am Prayer on Zoom

#### Wednesday, April 10

9:30-11:00am Women's Bible Study 7:00-8:45pm ESL Classes

### Thursday, April 11

7:30am Prayer at Becker's, 413 College Ave.

#### Saturday, April 13

8:00am Spring Work Day

#### Sunday, April 14

8:30 & 11:15am Worship10:15am Sunday Classes6:30pm Roots Youth Group

#### Baby News

We are so happy to announce the birth of Lydia Noelle Long on March 31! Congratulations to Nate and Amanda Long and their son Andrew. Welcome to the family, baby Lydia!

Young Adult Lunch next Sunday, Young Adult Lunch will be next Sunday, **April 14** at the Spatola's house, 748 Barr Blvd, Lancaster, shortly after the late service. A text or email RSVP is requested to Samuel at (717) 847-3559 or <u>SSpatola@wheatlandpca.org.</u>

Other Young Adult Discipleship
The Young Adult Book Group meets every
1st and 3rd Tuesday at the Spatola's house, 748
Barr Blvd. Lancaster. We are reading Open &
Unafraid: The Psalms as a Guide to Life by W. David
O. Taylor.

Spring Work Day – THIS SATURDAY Come this Saturday, April 13, from 8am to 1pm, for our Spring Cleaning/Work Day to help get the property ready for the spring and summer months. Lunch is provided for all participants. We welcome window washers, painters, general repair people, & cleaners of all ages. Even if you're only able to come for a few hours, your help would be greatly appreciated. The majority of work this year will be indoors. While we encourage families to participate, please keep in mind that there is continued construction on our campus and that those outside should refrain from playing on or around construction equipment and supplies. Contact Joseph Kiehl at josephkiehl@gmail.com or 717-598-9284 with any questions.

#### The Row House Forum

Next at The Row House Forum: How do we know what is *really* real, true, or good? Those sorts of questions are what Dr. Esther Meek's life and work are all about. She returns to Lancaster to speak on Saturday, **April 20** at 7:00pm at WestArt Community Center, 816 Buchanan Avenue Lancaster. Dr. Meek is a retired Geneva College professor of Philosophy and an in-demand epistemologist (the study of knowing). Her talk *Everyday Beauty and Philosophy for Everyday People*, will be accompanied by the best coffee in Lancaster and great desserts. Find out more and reserve your seats at <a href="https://www.therowhouse.org">www.therowhouse.org</a>, or speak to Tom Becker. Reservations are recommended for this event.

# Morning Prayer on Zoom

To be placed on the list to receive the login information for our **Tuesday Morning Prayer** time held on Zoom, please contact Betsy at <a href="mailto:bboone@wheatlandpca.org">bboone@wheatlandpca.org</a>.

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#### Men's Discipleship

Monday Bible Study – Meets on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays in the Narthex. Contact Keith Winder (<u>kwinder@wheatlandpca.org</u>) for details.

Wednesday Morning Study - Meets virtually at 6:30am weekly to study a book of the Bible. Grab a cup of coffee and your favorite commentary and join us. Contact Paul Chase 717-220-4209 for more information.

Weekly Discipleship Group – Meets on Thursday evenings in the Narthex from 7:00pm-8:30pm. Call/text Edmund Byne at 404-583-4253 or email Edmund.byne@agriteer.ag for details.

## Young Adult Discipleship

If you fall into the early 20's to early 30's age group, check out Wheatland's Young Adult ministry!

Young Adult Book Group meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at the Spatola's house, 748 Barr Blvd. Lancaster. We are reading Open & Unafraid: The Psalms as a Guide to Life by W. David O. Taylor.

Young Adult Sunday Lunches also meet at the Spatola's house. We will gather for lunch on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month shortly after the late service. A text or email RSVP is requested to Samuel at <a href="mailto:Spatola@wheatlandpca.org">SSpatola@wheatlandpca.org</a>. or (717) 847-3559.

# Roots Youth Discipleship

If you or your student are in grades 6–12, check out the Roots Youth Activities at Wheatland!

**Sunday night gatherings** happen every Sunday night in the Narthex from 6:30-8:00pm.

**Sunday School Classes** meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> floor of the church office building during the Sunday School hour.

## Women's Discipleship

**Saturday morning Bible Study** – Will resume in the fall meeting twice per month from 7:30 to 9:00am. For more information, contact Catherine Achor at <a href="kitkatvt85@gmail.com">kitkatvt85@gmail.com</a>.

Evening Bible Study - Meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month at 7:00pm. For more information, please contact Erin Quillen <u>erinbquillen@gmail.com</u> or at (717) 679-1317.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study - Meets 9:30am in the narthex. We are studying 1 Corinthians, using a study guide by NT Wright. Please email Joy Manning at <a href="mailto:fjmanning@msn.com">fjmanning@msn.com</a> for more info. Study runs through May 1.

#### Quarterly Women's Events

The Women's Discipleship team is planning quarterly events to create opportunities for you to connect with other women at Wheatland. Please save the following dates: **May 4, August 3**, and **November 9**. Details and sign-up links will be communicated via email. With questions, please contact Erin Quillen (erinbquillen@gmail.com).

#### **PCA Women's Conference**

Made for More Conference: The PCA Women's Ministry will be hosting the Made for More Conference in Annapolis, MD on Nov. 15-16. This conference is open to women and girls in grades 3-12. For more information or to register, visit https://women.pcacdm.org/made-for-more/.

# Discipleship: Triads

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#### Food Bank

We collect food every Sunday for a local affordable senior housing apartment complex, LongCrest, on W. Walnut St. Our donations of non-perishable food and household items can make a difference for them. Please think about them when you are shopping and pick up a few extra items that a household of one could use. Place your donations in the box in the narthex.

#### Wheatland Communications

Are you receiving email communications from the church? If not, and you would like to, please email your contact information to the church office and we will add your name to the list. Send your info to Betsy at <a href="mailto:bboone@wheatlandpca.org">bboone@wheatlandpca.org</a>.

#### Wheatland Recordings

Recordings of the sermons are available on the church website, <a href="www.wheatlandpca.org">www.wheatlandpca.org</a>.
Recordings of personal testimonies given during the worship service as well as both adult Sunday classes are also on the website. For CD copies of the worship service, please contact the office at bboone@wheatlandpca.org.

# **Prayer Chain**

Prayer is an important part of our church life. If you have a prayer request or would like to join with more than 90 other Wheatlanders who are committed to bearing one another's burdens in prayer on the Prayer Chain, please contact Sue Seevers at <a href="mailto:seeevers49@gmail.com">seeevers49@gmail.com</a>.

#### Wheatland Diaconate

The Diaconate at Wheatland (deacons and deaconesses) work to manage the upkeep of the property and to facilitate mercy ministries of sympathy and service among our members and regular attenders. If you have a concern about the property, a mercy-need, or want to get in touch with a deacon or deaconess, you can reach out personally (names listed in next column and contact information is in Elexio) or email <a href="Diaconate@WheatlandPCA.org">Diaconate@WheatlandPCA.org</a>.

## Care Groups

Our congregation is organized by geographical lines into Care Groups. These groups meet twice a month to share meals and deepen fellowship with each other. Care Groups are organized as follows:

Lancaster City (Northwest) - Luke and
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Hempfield - Bill and Catherine Achor
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Mountville/Millersville - Dallas and Diane Wolgemuth <u>dndwolgemuth@gmail.com</u> Lampeter Strasburg - Paul and Deb Kreider

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Jeff Barrall
John Bast
Glyn Boone
Ned Bustard
Joe Hunter
Les Slough

Deacons
Jon Bush
Peter Horning
Joseph Kiehl
Dave Smith
Dain Zimmerman

Deaconesses

Jess Bagge Laura Chapman Sharon Givler Amanda Long Priscilla Parker Katie Piser Beth Slough Becky Smith Diane Wolgemuth

# Spotlighting a Wheatland Ministry

Who: Matt & Jenn Irvine, their children Malachi(20), Arielle(18),

and Luke(14)

Where: London, England

Work: Matt and Jenn lead a Serge church planting team in northwest

London whose vision is to establish a church that is understandable to British South Asians, mostly from Indian Gujarati Hindu or Jain

backgrounds.

Prayer:

- 1. Please be praying for our Serge colleague (and brother to our brother in law) Eddie who has had some difficult heart episodes in Spain and needs a surgery.
- 2. Please pray for our Wednesday street outreach time. We are getting opportunities to speak to many people from the Gujarati section of Western India who have just come as graduate students as well as people from all sorts of backgrounds including difficult to reach countries in the Middle East. Pray for the gospel to be heard and received.
- 3. Please pray for the core of our church to have some good times of prayer as we ask the Lord to continue to build his church.

To receive the Irvine email prayer updates, email matt at mirvine@serge.org.

#### Communion Prayers

#### Prayer for Those Searching for Truth

Lord Jesus, you claim to be the way, the truth, and the life. If what you claim is true, please guide me, teach me, and open to me the reality of who you are. Grant that I might be undaunted by the cost of following you as I consider the reasons for doing so. Give me an understanding of you that is coherent, compelling, and that leads to the life that you promise. Amen.

#### Prayer of Belief

Lord Jesus, I admit that I am weaker and more sinful than I ever before believed, but through you, I am more loved and accepted than I ever dared to hope. I thank you for paying my debt, bearing my punishment on the cross and offering forgiveness and new life. Trusting that you have been raised from the dead, I turn from my sins and receive you as my Savior. Amen.

#### Children and Communion

Our baptized children are covenant children of our church, a rich part of our life together at Wheatland, and we long to see them eating with us at the Table. As a denomination (Presbyterian Church in America), we do not practice giving communion to children before they profess their faith to the Elders of our church and undertake the obligations and duties of a communing member. However, it is a deep joy to gather them with us at this Table so that we might pray for them. Our prayer is that they will grow in their faith and love of Jesus and his gospel and in due time will profess their faith publicly to our Elders and join us to eat this meal of grace.

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to lovingly confront
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with the gospel of
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